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Please add at page 1, after the title, the following paragraph:

This is a divisional application of parent Application Serial No. 09/265,598, filed on March 10, 1999, which claims priority to Japanese Patent Application No. P10-066383, filed March 17, 1998, and the entire contents of the parent application and the Japanese application are incorporated by reference.

Please amend the paragraph at page 19, lines 14-21, as follows:

In order to evaluate the intensity of the external light, a non-difference mode is set as shown in Figs. 8A-8F. In Fig. 8A, the first storage section 38 does not store electric charge but is reset at time 100. The second storage section 40 only stores the electric charge at time 99. This difference is output as the second storage quantity 99. In this case, the second storage period in Fig. 8A is half of the second storage period in Fig. 6A. Thus, effective measurement is made if the intensity of the external light is below a threshold.